

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Junichi TANAKA et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of  
PCT/JP2004/017078

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Docket No.: 127648

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR EXAMINATION OF NONUNIFORMITY DEFECTS  
OF PATTERNS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**